THE LAW MAKERS AT WORK.

STREET CLEANING, CHARTER, EXCISE, AND OTHER LEGISLATION.

ents of the Carpenter Bill Appointed on the Senate Conference Committee—The Charter to Third Rending—No Improve-ments on the Elevated Rullroad System.

ALBANY, April 21.—Senator Robertson this morning named as the Senate Conference Committee on the Street Cleaning bill Senators Me-Carthy, Strahan, and Hogan. The first two pledged themselves in the debate yesterday to stand by the original Senate bill, and Senator Hogan is said to be equally determined to adhere to that bill. The bill was returned to the Assembly at the afternoon session, but Speaker Sharpe did not announce the Conference Committee on the part of the Assembly. He will probably announce it in the morning, and it will s tropelad for the Carpenter substitute. As both Houses will adjourn to-morrow until Mongar night it is not probable that there will be any meeting of the committee before next Tuesday. If the first committees do not agree, it is competent for both Houses to discharge the

committees and appoint new ones.

The New York Charter bill, which was reportd complete from the special committee, came en for third reading, and occupied nearly the whole session. Forster began to offer smendments at section 4, when he moved to recommit the bill with instructions to change ne mode of electing Aldermen so as to elect them by Assembly districts, and do away with be present plan of minority representation. The third reading was made a special order gain for to-morrow. The only material amendpent that was agreed upon was to section wenty-six, relating to the Park Commission. Mr. Strahan moved to amend this section so as to retain two Commissioners of that departent instead of one, as the bill originally provided. After a long debate this amendment was adopted, by a vote of 15 to 12. All the New York and Brooklyn Senators voted for it.

lesolutions favoring the celebration of the anniversary of the battle of Yorktown, and providing for a proper representation of this State at the celebration, were adopted, as were similar resolutions in relation to the coming celebration in South Carolina and the erection of a monument to the soldiers from that State in the war of the Revolution.

The Senate Judiciary Committee reported a bill authorizing Brooklyn to issue bonds for the

money claimed to be due to Kingsley & Keeney on their contract for building the Brooklyn reservoir. The decision of the Court of Apreservoir. The decision of the Court of Appeals was in favor of the claim, but the contractors are unable to get more than \$100,000 of the \$170,000 claimed to be due, as there is no more money in the Brooking Treasury appropriated for that purpose.

The Ropublicans of the Assembly, by a strict party vote, killed the three bills introduced early in the session by Mr. Brooks regulating saucuses and primary elections in towns, villages, and cities. After holding these bills since the first week of the session, the Judiciary Committee this morning reported them adversely. Mr. Brooks asked that the reports be disagreed with and the bills sont to the Committee of the Whole, where their merits could be fairly discussed. But it was no part of the Bepublican programme to allow them to be discussed. Mr. Congdon opened the attack upon Mr. Brooks's motion by declaring that the bills were an attempt to disfranchise voters, and he was followed by Itaines, who cracked the party whip and declared that it was a Democratic scheme. In vain did Mr. Brooks protest and say that he had leiters from sminent citizens of both parties in all parts of the State urging him to go forward, and, if possible, do something to reform the present system of primary viscions. Old Sait and others took a hand in cracking the whip, and the bills were killed beyond hope of resurrection. The Lemocratic all votes with Mr. Brooks, and the Republicans against him.

The radical tomperance element in the Aspeals was in favor of the claim, but the con-

The radical temperance element in the As-The radical temperance element in the Assembly is determined, if possible, to defeat any Excise hill for the cities of New York and Brooxign. When the Foster bill was reported from the Committee on Cities this morning, it was accompanied by a minority report of dissent signed by Carpenter of Suffolk, Dugmid of Ondonaga, and Everett of Putnam. Mr. Skinner of Jefferson immediately moved to send the bill back to the committee for one week, for the purpose of giving parties who wished to be heard an opportunity. Westchester's Baid Eagle and Old Sait, who have both ridden the temperance hobby in the Legislature for years, threatened to knock the bill into smithereens if this opportunity was not given its opponents to be heard upon it. When pinned down to say whether they would your for the hill into any whether they would your for the hill into any whether they would your for the hill the said the said of the hill the said the said of the hill the said whether they would your for the hill the said the to be heard upon it. When pinned down to say whether they would vote for the bill when it came back after the hearing. Old Sair frankly declared that he would not vote for any Excise bill at all, and Husted said he would not vote for this bill, though it might possibly be amended so that he would not for it. The bill was then sent back to the committee by a vote of 49 to 36, with instructions to report it back to the House again within one week.

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The Assembly Raliroad Committee unloaded this morning by reporting adversely upon several bins that have been before it for a long time, some of which have attracted a good share of public stiention. Among them were two bills conneiting the elevated raliroads to carry passengers at all hours for five cents, a bill to compel these roads to put drip pans under their tracks, another compelling them to piace lights upon the posts supporting their tracks, and another compelling them to run trains at certain intervals all night, the bill authorizing the construction of an experimental raliroad track upon the berme bank of the canal and a local pro rata freight bill. The adverse reports upon all these bills, with the exception of the latter, were agreed to, and the bills are dead for the session.

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The bill of M. C. Murphy, which aims to reach Anthony Comstock and his society, was reported favorably in the Assembly. The bill provides that, whenever it shall ancear on the trial of a person charged with having violated a lenal statute, that he was assisted in the allegest violation, or induced or inveigled to violate such penal statute, by some person acting or claiming to act in the capacity of agent, informer, or spy for any society or association, or for any individual who is not a prosecuting officer under the laws of this State, the testimony of such person so acting or claiming to act as agent, informer, or spy, and also that of every other person acting in conjunction with him shall not be received in evidence.

The Assembly passed the Senate, that prohibits the use of any teart of Central Park for the purposes of fairs or public exhibitions of any sind. The bill new goes to the Governor.

It has long been charged by those interested in canal transportation that the excessive charges of the elevator companies at Buffalo and New York were diverting the commerce shall elevator companies, and it was sent to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation. To-day be chaimed that the committee was sitting on the bill, and ming it before the House. He was successful.

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The bill authorizing the paperiment of Decks in New York was provided favorably. Also the bill subtherizing the appointment of a commission to house into the water supply for New York city improving and regulating the use of a periton of Fourth avenue in New York, and the bill providing for the laying out of a street along the East and Harlem Rivers. along the East and Harlem Rivers.

A THRILLING STORY REITERATED. Capt. Gordon Offers Proof that he was Either

Needed or Chested. In regard to the report from Baltimore yesterday, which makes Capt. Krueger of the German bark Tiger dony that he and his crew were rescued when they were at the point of starvation by the British steamship Nebo, now lying at the Harbeck stores in Brooklyn, Capt. Gordon of the Nebo offers the following state-ment, and others of his officers sign it: Sering the statement contradicting the report which I Balls in the statement contradicting the report which I

S. Gordon does not believe that Capt.
For is responsible for the report coming buildinger. The reporter saw the skin of box which the men of the Tiger trought them to the Nabo, and also the signed acceptance with which Capt. Krueger of the proper with which Capt. Gordon supplied him, he evidence that these had been paid for the Baltimore convigues of the Tiger's

THE NORTHWESTERN FLOODS.

Houses and Bridges Swept Away and Rall

CHICAGO, April 21 .- The flood in the city and throughout the Northwest continues to increase. Only four cars of stock arrived at the yards this morning, all the receipts which would have come in to-day having arrived last night. The railways are compelled to use each other's tracks indiscriminately and patch up lines of communication as they can, for hardly a road that comes into the city from the west, north, or south has a track free from the water. During the night the water in the river and in the low-lying prairies rose five inches, and, contrary to expectation and all precedent, is still rising. The abutments of the Ashland

contrary to expectation and all precedent, is still rising. The abutments of the Ashland avenue bridge have caved in, and the foundations of the bridge across the canal at Ashland avenue have washed out, and the abutments have begun to topple. The water is within an inch of the top of the Fulier street bridge, and it is within a few inches of the bed of the Chicago and Alton Railroad bridge.

Milwauker, April 21.—The flood here is the highest ever known on the Milwaukee River. This dams are gone at many points. In Milwaukee harbor the current was so strong that it was almost impossible for the tugs to handle vessels, and several accidents resulted. The basements along the dock line were all flooded, but there was ample time for the removal of goods, and so great damage was averted. Several lumber yards are affoat, and considerable damage has been sustained at the wood yards and tannacies, where the water has flooded the tanbark. Fears are entertained that the dam above here, on the Milwaukee River, will go out. If it does there will be great damage to shipping, the bridges, lumber yards, frame houses, &c. Manitowot, Fond du Lac, and the towns north are in danger. Almost every town south of the central line of the State reports more or less damage by the flood.

Sioux Citry, Ia. April 21.—The Big Sioux, Flord, and other smailstreams are out of their banks, and doing much damage to wagon and railroad bridges. The Central and Sioux City and the Pacific Bailroads are all right yet, but business on the other lines is interrupted, owing to the giving way or weakening of the bridges. Great uncertainty prevails concerning the condition of the people in the middle district of the inundated country, in the vicinity of Vermillion, as it is next to impossible to get in or out from there. Shoux City is sending supplies to such points as can be reached.

St. Paul, Minn., April 21.—Several washouts are reported on the Hastings and Dakota and the St. Paul and Minnesota Railroads. In many places the track is under water for two many places the track is under water for two or

three miles.

BISMARCK, Dak., April 21.—The Northern Pa-Bismanck, Dak., April 21.—The Northern Pacific Railroad, which runs for a considerable distance west of the Missouri in the valley of the Heart River, is having a great deal of trouble with washouts; over twenty of the pile bridges are gone. The river is still over the bank at some pinces, and Mandan has two feet of water in its streets, as well as large quantities of ice yet unmeited. The Northern Pacific Company are working night and day forces, with three pile drivers, repairing the bridges.

WITH COAT AND FEST OFF.

A Lively Scene Between Two Defeated

Jersey Caudidates for Office. PATERSON, April 21 .- At the recent township election Thomas B. Vreeland, who was the member of the New Jersey Assembly from West Milford, Passaic County, last winter, ran for the office of Chosen Freeholder upon a renom-ination by the Republicans. His Democratic opponent was Samuel George, the son of Philip R. George of Cooper & Hewitt's iron works at Ringwood. On the same ticket with Vreeland was Cornelius Post, a candidate for redlection as constable. Post and Vreeland. however, were uncompromising opponents, both being aspirants for the nomination for Sheriff. The result of their personal opposition was that both were defented. They have, it is said, entertained bitter feelings toward one another ever since

mother ever since.

A few days ago Post visited Vreeland's house.
It is reported that a lively war of words ended It is reported that a lively war of words ended in a more serious encounter. Constable Charley Monks happened to call to see Mr. Vreeland en business while Post was there. He received no answer to his knock, and hearing a racket inside he entered. The sight that it is said met his view astonished him. Chairs and tables were overturned. Vreeland, who is not tall but is stout, stool there without coator vest and with his eyes snatping, and Post, who is a six fooley, was doubled up in a corner. and with his eyes enauping, and Post, who is a six looker, was doubled up in a corner.

After Monks entered the room Post and Vreeland said down and continued their discussion. Pretty soon they waxed warm again and Post charged Vreeland with having sold out Senator Hobart in the last election.

"Say that again." exclaimed Vreeland, "and Pil knock you down!"

"I repeat it, you did sell." said Post.

"You're an inter!" retorted Post.

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Constable Menks's interference, it is said, prevented a fight. He held Vreeland, while Post darted out into the hallway, where he turned and said:

"If you say you didn't sell out Hobart, you're itar!"

nijar!"
Vreeland picked up a chair and started for Post. The latter ran into the yard and cleared a five-rail fance at a bound. Vreeland required more time to get over the fence on account of his weight, and so Post gained on him. But Vreeland continued the pursuit down the street for half a mile. The neighbors looked in astenishment to see Post running, pursued by the usually dignified Vreeland armed with a chair. Post escaped. Mr. Vreeland says it was only an interposition of Providence that prevented him from inflicting serious injuries upon Post.

Post's version is as foliows: In their conversation he charged Vreeland with selling out others to elect himself. Vreeland wanted to fight, and, locking the door, took off his contant and vest. Post pushed him off, and he stumbled over a chair. He went for Post again, but Post said he would not fight a man in his own house, but would fight if Vreeland would come out side. For that reason, Post says he ran out of the house, and not because he was afraid. He stopped when he got out and told Vreeland to come out and he would not come out. Vreeland picked up a chair and started for

Millions of Bushels Still Unthreshed or in

St. PAUL, April 21 .- The Pioneer-Press prints report of the Minneapolis Association regarding the amount of wheat still in stock or remaining unthreshed. On the line of the Hastings and Dakota road it is claimed that from 10 to 15 per cent, of the crop of 1880 is still unthreshed, and that from 20 to 25 per cent, of unterested, and that from 20 to 25 per cent, of the wheat along the St. Paul and Sloux City road is unthreshed and in stock. On the Breckenridge division of the Manitoba road it is estimated at 16 per cent. On the Minneapolis and St. Louis, and along the Northern Pacific Railway there is very little in stock, and not to exceed 300,000 bushels on and north of the Northern Pacific, Farmers holding unthreshed grain in all sections are not threshing, the association advising them not to thresh before the middle of May or the first of June. The recently threshed wheat thus far received by the association was in a bad condition, containing pieces of its and injured by dampness. It is also estimated that on the Hastings and Dakota there are from 500,000 to 500,000 bushels of wheat still to come in, and on the Sioux City road about 750,000 bushels. The Manitota lines are expected to contribute from 750 000 to 1,000,000 bushels, and at the Minneapolis and St. Louis from 200,000 to 50,000 bushels. On the Southern Minnesofa road there is not little wheat left in stock, but there is a large per cent, remaining in the granaries. The condition of the grain which has not yet sough the market is said to be very good.

St. Louis, April 21.—The Post-Dispatch publishes very full reports to-day from Hilmois, Missouri, lows. Kansas, and Nebraska relative to the last corn crop raised in those States. These reports generally show that the crop fell short of that of 1879, not so much through a decrease in the acreage planted as through a smaller yield. This was more portionarily the case in Hunois, Missouri, in the case in Hunois, Missouri, and Kansas, the other States—Iowa and Nebraska relative to the last corn crop raised in those States. These reports generally show that fell and covered the grain in the cribs as well as in the fields. The amount cribbed at the country shipping points was large in lows, but generally amnificiant to their stock, owing to the severity of the winter. The prices paid at the country shipping points rule the wheat along the St. Paul and Sloux City road is unthreshed and in stock. On the Breck-

year. Spring wheat promises finely in the west ern part of the State. All lu One Week. Mr. F. G. Newnar, commission dealer, Washington Market, suffered greatly with the mustian, for which he could obtain no relies whetherer. St. sands Of a samily ir used with the effect of curring him in one

TONS OF POWDER EXPLODED.

BRIDGEPORT AND BINGHAMTON SHAK-

EN AS BU FARTHQUAKES. One Shock Felt Across Long Island Sound and

the Other for Thirty Miles-Pante in Bridge-port-Much Damage, but No Lives Lost. Several hundred hands, mainly young romen, are employed in the shops of the Union Metallic Cartridge Company, just across the Naugatuck River from Bridgeport, Conn., and when, just before noon yesterday, the town was startled by the shock of a great explosion, a tide of people set out across the bridge at once to earn quickly that the shops were safe. The hands were immediately dismissed for the day. that they might in person reassure their friends and relatives. Two miles and a half beyond, in the same northeasterly direction from town, are the three powder magazines of the com-pany, and from them a cloud of smoke was seen to arise with a puff. The smallest of these

magazines had exploded.

miles from the depot at Bridgeport. They were low buildings, and the walls of the one which has been destroyed were of brick to the height of about four feet. A pointed roof of corrugated iron completed the storehouse. It was built into completed the storehouse. It was built twenty rears age by the Winchestor Arm Company. The two other manufane were of the same shape, but built of wood and from. They contained from two hundred to five hundred 25-cound kess of powder seed.

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Cartridge Company they have agreed to pay.

A SHOCK FELT FOR THIRTY-TWO MILES.

BINGHAMTON, April 21.—Dimmar's powder works, east of this city, expleded about 8 o'clock this morning with tremendous force. Five buildings belonging to the works were blown to atoms, and six others partially demodished. The explosion of the main magazne, in which was stored twelve tons of powder, was prevented by the Fire Departments. The explosion which occurred in the centre vanit is supposed to have been caused by an adulterated substance known as hitro-sugar compound, used in the manufacture of powder. A workman saw duil red smoke rising from a barrel containing the mixture, and gave an alarm. The employees had barely escaped from the building when the explosion took place. The fire quickly communicated to the adjoining building, centaining about six thousand pounds of black powder, which explosed after an interval of five minutes. Employees were thrown to the ground, but escaped with significant injuries from failing debris. The force of the shock was upward. Foundation stones weighing two hundred pounds, were carried through the airs distance of a quarter of a mine. Pieces of boilers and debris descended in showers in all directions. The force of the shock was distinctly felt a distance of thirty-two miles. Buildings were snaken at the village of Union, nine miles distant, it is rumored that the State Insane Asylum about a mile distant, was bally damaged. Windows were shattered, buildings shaked, and great damage was done to property in the eastern part of the city. Stoves and furniture in houses were upset and broken. Trees were twisted and upposed, roofs broken in and sides of houses were torn off.

AN INVALID'S SUICIDE. A SHOCK FELT FOR THIRTY-TWO MILES.

AN INVALID'S SUICIDE.

Hastening his Death by a Few Days-Why an Englishman Cut his Throat.

On March 28 a man who registered his name as James F. Henry engaged a room at the Sammit Hotel, Canal street and the Bowers. He was apparently well to do, was about 30 years old, and seemed to be in the last stage of consumption. The proprietor of the hotel tried to induce him to leave the house but he would not go. He paid his bill regularly. On Munday of last week the proprietor told him he must go, and asked him why he did not go to some hospital. He replied that he had been to several, but heat they would not seep him, as his disdid not go to some hospital. He replied that he had been to several but was they would not keep him, as his discase was incurable. "I allowed that to remain," said the proprietar yesterday, "but on Tuesday last! saw plannly enough that he could not have bur any singer, so I min the clerk not to let him occury his room again, but he personaled the cork to allow him to seep there that ment. Vesterday he allow the could not seep there that ment. Vesterday he allow the could not seep there that ment. Vesterday he allow the could be seen to be allow the clerk to the form of the clerk of the seep that the could be seen the could be seen to be allowed the form of the room, found Mr. Henry Jerne on the choir, the had put the pisto to his right ear, and the bat had penetrated his beam."

An Englishman named Henry J. Bound cut his throat his soom in the Occalental Robert yesterday, in flicting a wood which will propably prove that. He was removed to \$1. Venecute Heart allowed which will be had attempted surface, the greater of a steed of parter; and possessed with devils." During the week which he had steem at this hore had she of the seen sen to as trangely. He was an according man, but had considerable money. He had been drinking hard, the policy say.

The Civil War in the Samoan Islands.

San Francisco, April 21.-News has been SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—News has been received from the Samuan islands that since the death of King Maletoa the Government forces have entirely conquered the large island of Sevali, and at Anion, on that island, some two weeks since. Usey surrounded and compelled the surrender of 810 relay warriors, about 50 of the principal chiefs, 407 runs, 325 American hastic 8x/s, 225 large keives used in fighting, seven taunstrates of large keives used in fighting, seven taunstrates the received received the main strength of the insurgents of and party on Savail, with 1,700 fighting men, have billed the King's forces, the new temperature of the island. The King's forces, thus relieved on Savail related to trees that selected on Savail related to

A New York Salesman Robbed in Baltimore BALTIMORE, April 21.-Charles Duffy, a travciling salesman for Enos Richardson & Co., dealers in lewelry, Manlen lane, New York, arrived in this city today, and stopped at a hotel. While at supper his room was entered, a trimk was breaken open, and a value containing between \$5000 and \$10.000 worth to gold chaine stolen. About \$6.000 worth of lewelry in the trunk was not touched. Up to a late hour to-night no clue was obtained at the think.

A TRAIN FALLS INTO A RIVER. Eight Lives Lost and Some Narrow Escapes

NEW YORK, FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 1881.

CLINTON, Iowh, April 21 .- At 5 A. M. the rest-bound express on the Rock Island division of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railrond, fell into the Meredosia River, one mile south of Afbany, I.. The train was moving at ordinary special over a trestle work which auddenly gave away. The whole train, consisting of engine, tender, baggage car, passenger and sleeping car, went into the water except the alceper, which hangs over the bridge at an angle of forty-five degrees, the upper end high in the air. Two cars floated off down the stream. The passenger coach lodged against the island, four rods away. The baggage car stuck in the middle of the stream, about the same distance away. Only the roofs of two cars

same distance away. Only the roofs of two cars are now in sight.

Engineer West and the fireman went down in the cab, and nothing has been seen since of the men or locomotive. Sam Fiannagan, baggageman: Henry Myers, brakeman: Dan Elithorpe, messenger, and Thos. Fuller, conductor, escaped, but all are injured except Fuller.

There were eleven passengers in the forward car, including a man and boy, residents of Pine River, Wis., on route for Omaha; a woman and two children, who bearded the train at Savannah for Rock Is and Dr. D. W. Lundy of Albany, and live others. Of these, two men numbed ashors as ge floating car passed the abutment of the wagon bridge. Another man made a lean, but fell back and was drowned. The woman and one child and the boy from Pine River were taken off the roof of the car after it lodged at the island, and the six other passengers, including the man from Pine River, the little child of the woman, and Dr. Lundy, were drowned. These, together with the engineer and flreman, make eight lives lost in all.

There were only three passengers in the sleener and they together with the colored porter, climbed out of the rear end of the car and escaped unipured. The names of the three passengers are H. W. Gordon of Rochester, N. Y.; G. W. Chapman, Newark, N. J., and Henry Warren, Boston, A travelling companion of Chapman's, named F. C. Butler, was not on the train.

The river is a perfect torrent where the trestie went out. It is said a freight train passed over The three magazines stood not over 300 feet apart on a lonely hill in West Stratford, three

the fown and facing toward the east escapes whole.

The force of the explosion knocked down a horse ploughing in a field in West Strafford, and the noise of the blow up was heard plainty in Norwalk and New Haven. Across the Sound, at Port Jefferson L. L. a shock was felt, and the people are still wondering what caused it. The damage about Bridgeport will amount to nearly \$5,000, and all proper claims against the Union Cartridge Company they have agreed to pay.

The Irish Tenant-Might Struggle.

DUBLIN, April 21.-The National Convention fine Land League opened at mon-to-day. A thousand elegates were present. Mr. Parnell presided over the onvention. Messrs Justin McCarthy, T. D. Sullivan, atnes O. Kelly, E. M. Warum, Thomas Sexton, J. C. iccom, and R. Lalor, of Parliament, were present. The proceedings in the Convention to-day were princi-The proceedings in the Convention to-day were principally could all the reading of and discussions most the report of the Executive Committee on the Land bill Deiccates criticised the report, after which Mr. Parmoil canniends in universal paper in bill. He complianed that it did include for interest, and that the legal procedure presented by at, being complicated and expensive, would desprive tenants of any hopes of redress. The effect of the bill would be to raise, not lower, rents.

He solutions were innatum they pussed declarate that Mr. Davitt, impression i tecause of his heroic delence of personal tenants, should be released and expression in the first that the strength is the strength of the trial that is a second to the resulting in a strength of the strength of th ally confliced to the reading of and discussions upon the

Pants, April 21.-The contemplated occupation of Tobarca will only isolate the garrisons to be estab-lished there, and the landing of troops at Biserta or at Goletta cann the thought of, as it would involve a naval counter-demonstration by the other powers, the most langurous imbrosilio conceivable. France will be thus dangerous initiosilio conceivable. France will be thus forced to march to Tunis by land and advance to the walls of the capital, all not derivable them, because there alone will she can the maskery of the franker tribes and make a prompt and adding impression on the Arab mind. It is believed at Tonion that a French squarron is ready to sail at any moment in the avent of Noticen (ancience the result of the avent of Noticen (ancience the land of the franker). A Reissan, the French Gonnal General at Tunis, has intermed the Bey that he and the French of other forcins residents in Tunis (rathet).

Toccos, April 21—8 dying squadron consisting of two rantes and two convertes, will self hence on Monday flexifor a cruise of instruction, calling first a Agiers. Paus, A will 11—Felegrams from Tunis report that the decisration of the French Consult General, that the Bey and his Frima Minister would be held responsible for thoughts, appears to have produced a salutary effect. The natives have been warred that the punishment of death with the programmy endough in any act of aggression gainst Europeans.

ATHENS, April 21 .- Public feeling is settling own to the conclusion that the new frontier line mus

A large number of impuriant arrests have been made The port of Seville is closed in consequence of the inun-lations. The river is still rising. Striking colliers in Asturias, Spain, have thrown sev-The British stramer Mirpail, from Liverpool, April 16, or Con miacen, went ashore on the Skaw, and eleven tracks were drowned. Derby wall succeed him.

Lerothord, the Haento chief, asks that hostilities shall coase for a day to allow him to interview the colonial commander bear Masery.

The Spanish intervanient has decided to despatch reenforcements to the Socioo lainnds, and require the new
Sultan in recognize the protectorate of Spain over the
archipeingo.

The Vienna Press says the powers have received a circular note from the Russian Givernment proposing a
conference for the Command and the contergraphic for the Command of the cular note from the Ramsier Government proposing a conterence for the pripose of adopting common measures against the anarcipate. The conditions may forward by Hamburg for entering the Zullyers in have been agreed to by Herr You Bitter, the Freedom Finance Minister, and are also secure of approval in higher quarters. approval in higher quarters.

At the meeting of the Congress of the Education League in Parts yesherday, M. Gambetta insisted upon the necessity of developing and perfecting universal sufficac by universal education.

A putting meeting at Leipzig resterday, under the auspices of the Princressiats, was dissolved by the police by virture of the Socialist average largely represented as the mesung.

PLANETS IN CONJUNCTION. STAR BOUTE BRADT'S RETEREMENT. LIFE IN THE METROPOLIS.

ASTRONOMICAL AND ASTROLOGICAL VIEWS REGARDING THE EVENT.

Bress Parade of Worlds, Such as Has Not Been Sere for Ages Two Laggards Prof. Braper's Story of Prof. Watson Prophets.

It is only once in an age, or in many ages, that the planets in this solar system arrange themselves in such relation to each other as they hold to-day. Along an imaginary line drawn from the earth to the sun and projected right onward for millions upon millions of miles, the planet Jupiter, beyond that the ringed planet Saturn, and still further out the planet Neptune, will be ranged almost as if they were strung together. Between the earth and the sun, Venus is swinging into line, and beyond the sun, and between it and Jupiter, little Mercury is also approaching the line of march. But before these two laggards will have joined the celestial dress parade, the great planets will have already broken ranks to proceed in their circling about the sun. The phenomenor is not of brief duration, like an eclipse or like the transit of the planets Venus or Mercury across the sun's disk. The celestial machinery in this instance is more complicated and pon-derous. According to the compilers of the Nautical Almanso the conjunction, or time of

in this instance is more complicated and ponderous. According to the complicate and ponderous. According to the complicate of the Nautical Almanac the conjunction; or time of mearest approach of Justice and Saturn, will occur this forencon; but the grand march will not break up until next week.

Prof. Henry Draper was asked yesterday whether the event is of importance to astronomers. He replied that it could serve only one end and that was merely to compute chronological events. The Chinese, he continued, paid great attention to astronomy in ante-historical times, and they have always linked their knowledge of astronomy with astrology. Historical events were noted by their writers as taking place while the stars held certain relations to each other. When we read these writings we have to compute the movements of the stars to learn when noteworthy events took place. Any such unusual combination of the heavenly bodies as this is an sid in computing the position of the planets in those far off ages.

"Speaking of astrology in China," added Prof. Draper, "I am ruminded of the unceremonious way in which the late lamented Prof. Watson of Ann Arbor University, Michigan, was compelled to quit the Chinese empire about the time of the transit of Venus a few years ago, Prof. Watson, with another well-known astronomer, was atthe Chinese empire about the time of the transit of Venus a few years ago. Prof. Watson, with another well-known astronomers had so influenced the stars as to cause the Emperor's death. The Viceroy, who did not share the popular belief the stars, and it became noised abroad that the two distinguished astronomers had so influenced the stars as to cause the Emperor's death. The Viceroy, who did not share the popular belief the stars, and it became noised abroad that the two distinguished astronomers had so influenced by the stars, and it became noised abroad that the two distinguished astronomers had so influenced by the stars, and it became noised abroad that the two distinguished astronomers had so man

such an event was to occur.

NEW ORLEANS, April 21.-The Democrat tomarrow will publish a statement by R. D. Bridger, Judge of the Fourth Judicial District, in relation to the publicaon made by Charles Heath concerning the burning of his property in Caldwell Parish, on the night of Dec. 25 last. Heath represented that he was the victim of pu-litical persecution, and Mr. Dawes recently championed litical persecution, and sir Dawes recently championed his cause in the Senate. After reciting the circumstances of Heads's residence in the parish, Judge Bridger says. These conversed with an ese witness of the harring of the Heati gin and the circumstances attending it, and am fully convinced that the property was birried to get the instrume money. The foreman of the Jury Informed nee that while they could not get sufficient evidence to authorize them to find a bill, yet sufficient evidence to authorize them to find a bill, yet how as fully persuaded and convinced in his own mind, that the property was horned to obtain the insurance money. This is the gove all opinion of those in the parish who are acquained with the facts. Indeed, it think evidence had been obtained sufficient to justify the Grand Jury at the July term in finding a bill. He statements are totally false, and a stander on the people of our parish.

Pifty Methodist Churches in Revolt.

BRADFORD, April 21 .- At the opening of the Vermont Nethodist Conference to-day none of the flity churches in the Burlington district, recently set off from he Troy to the Vermont Conference, are represented he Rev. Merritt Hubbard, the Methodist clergyman at

A Preacher's Body la the Potter's Field.

The remains of the Rev. Geo. H. Pool, the Presbyterian minister and author, who died some time ago in the Flatbush Small pox Hospital, are still in the Potter's Field, in a grave with the bodies of three pau-pers. Mr. Pool has three brothers who are ministers in the West, and a fourth brother in Quincy, lil. Upon his the West, and a fourth brother in Quincy. III. Upon his death a story appeared in printin Philadelphia, where Mr. Pool was formerly a nastor, to the effect that he died possessed of a large fortune. A large number of deeds and some mortiques were found among his papers, but it was discovered upon a careful examination that his elects would not pay more than half of his debts. Mr. Pool's brother from Quincy, III. Was in Brooklyn recently looking after the dead minister's affairs. He located his bruther's grave, but when he learned that it would cost \$100 in distinct the body and give it a new burish each that he would have to consult with his brothers, and that he would have to consult with his brothers, and that perhaps hear winter they might conclude to remove the body. Mr. Pool's religious allegory, after the style of the "Prigrim's Progress." Will not be published.

Beath of Mme. Velazquez.

Mme. Velazquez, wife of the late Prof. Mariano Velazquez of Columbia College, died at Plainfield, N. J. on Thursday. She was born in New York in 1799, and had spent her entirellite in this city until ten years ago, when she went to Planfield to live with her two daughters. Sine was the daughter of John W. Livingston, an officer of the Revolutionary War, and a lineal descendant of Robert Livingston of Livingston Manner Philip Livingston, no of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, was her granddinche. Sine was also connected with the De Peyster, her crandincher beine Cartherius De Peyster, her produced of the State of the Cartherius De Peyster, her grandincher beine Cartherius De Peyster, handliter of Treasurer Abrain De Peyster, in Lamous helle in New York some time had secured a contract of Prod. Verhaguez, which some time had secured a conveyers produced a Commission of the Cartherius Cart had spent her entirellife in this city until ten years ago.

NEW JERSEY.

William M. Van Sickle, aged 60, a well known resident of New Brunswick, attempted suicide vesterlay morning by shooting himself. He will probably recover. A strike in the Peters A Calhoun Company's harness shout in Newark was ended yesterday, the company crasting the workmen the 10 per cent, increase in wages which they demanded.

In Miliville the physicians are puzzled over a disease that seems to be a cross between measies and scarlet fever. It is reported that recently there were 200 cases of it, some of which proved fatal.

The hands in some of the milis in Paterson have arranged to quit work on Saturday at 11% A. M. They labor eleven hours a day instead of 10% as formerly, for the five preceding days, thereby gaining the time on Saturday.

Hele: House of Management of the control o Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar has literally many a consumptive from the grave. SOc. - Adv.

A Rumor that Corruption has been Trac Home-ladiciments to Follow.

WASHINGTON, April 21 .- The enforced resgnation of Assistant Postmaster-General Brady is believed to have been the outcome of investiration into the corruption in the star routes be gun by Mr. James. It is said to-night that the Government has possession of some evidence going to show that there has been fraud and bribery, by which the Government has been swindled out of a very large amount of money. Mr. James is unwilling at present to give any details of the result of his investigation, but admits that there will be ready for publication shortly something upon this subject. It is said to-night that evidence enough has been obtained upon which to go before a Grand Jury and ask for indictments, and that one Government official may be so indicted.

Until the nomination of Mr. Elmer can be confirmed, the duties of the office will be assumed by Chief Clerk French. gun by Mr. James. It is said to-night that the

THE PHILADELPHIA GAS TRUST.

City Solicitor West Asks an Appropriation for Attacking in the Courts.

PHILADELPHIA, April 21.-The Gas Trust, which received such an overhauling by a special com-unittee of the City Councils, is to be overhauled in court. City Solicitor West sent a communication to the Councils this afternoon, in which he says he has carefully read the estimon, in which he says he has carefully read the testimony brought out by the committee, and declares his intention of taking such proceedings as are necessary to secure a full and proper account of the management and conduct of the Gas Works. He quests from a declaion of the Hupreme Court to show that the city has a right to imspect books, accounts, and papers of the trustees, and if she mas cause to suspect mismanagement may apply to the courts for redress. The solicitor says: "I need hardly intorms you that the suit will be necessarily an expensive the beaming the miscount of the courts for redress. The solicitor says: "I need hardly intorms you that the suit will be necessarily an expensive the beaming the miscount of the court of the full beautiful to the Law Department for experts and miscellaneous expenditures would be inadequate for the purposes of such a case. If I sam to go into this battle cive me the sinews of war. I suggest that an appropriation be made to the Law Department of the sum of \$5,000, to be devoted to necessary expenditures in the suit of the city against the trustees, warrants to be drawn against the same by me upon the approval of such committee as Councils may indicate. "The courts will be able to make a much more searching lugicy than the investigating committee, for witnesses can be forced to leasify, and papers, before refused, demanded. the testimony brongist out by the committee, and ductare

SPREAD OF THE OIL MONOPOLY.

oly Railroads Believed to Have Been Bought ROCHESTER, April 21.-Mayor F. R. Eaton of Olean, N. Y., a director in the Genesce Valley Canal Rail-road, has information showing that the Standard Oil Company is interested in the syndicate which has been purchasing a system of six railroads in New York and Pennavivania. He says that the "Green line" oil cars were ordered off the Buffalo. New York and Pennavivania Railroad the day following its purchase by the New York syndicate. The Green line cars drew oil from Pennayivania to the Green line cars drew oil from Pennayivania to the Green line cars drew oil from Pennayivania to the Green line cars drew oil from Pennayivania to the Green line cars drew oil from Pennayivania were interested to leave to the Standard Oil Company; monopoly. A number of New York and Pennsylvania were interested to leave to New York and Pennsylvania were interested to leave to New York and Pennsylvania were interested to leave to Atlas Refinery. Their sale of mone interest to the railroad syndicate and the closely following order removing their oil traffic from the road are looked upon as significant. Mayor Eaton and several of his prominent associates in railroad interests look upon this a sproof posture that the syndicate of New York bankers—Stigman and Drexel, Morcan & Co., Clark, Post & Martin, and the others—simply represent the Standard Oil Company and other powerful corporations. In this connection the fact is recalled that the Vanderialis had no senser withdrawn from the management of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line Remains and the control of the Rochester and State Line R purchasing a system of all railroads in New York and

Freight Handlers at Chicago on a Strike-

CRICAGO, April 21,-The platform bands at all the railroad freight offices struck this morning, the Lake Shore and Central Bailroad hands leading off. the Lake Shore and Central Ratiford names reading of. They demand an advance of tentivellee to thirty cents a day, and nates it is speedily granted there will be great delays in handling goods here, as the places of the strikers cannot be supplied.

Bosros, April 21.—Many of the employees of the Betryophthan Heres Bailroad Company have signed a Metropolitan Horse Baliroad Company have signed a satisfies a size for see insequence of wages to Elperday. The management have already sized Arra men tilding the cars, as a strike is feared. The President of the company save that the road cannot afford to pay higher wages than at present. Clavekane, April 21.—A strike of street railway employees was begun here today. On some of the roads nearly all the men stopped work, on others, some atopped, but on the Woodward avenue line none quit work. Street car travel to-lay has been considerably interrupted, and at times was prevented altogether. The railway thangers are eventue new men as fast as pos able and running all the cars they can.

Why the New York Car Drivers do Not Stelke

The successful strikes of horse car drivers n other cities has encouraged the New York drivers to try to better their circumstances. At a meeting held remore pay. At present the average time of working is from fourteen to filteen hours, and the pay runs from \$1.59 on the Second avenue due to \$2 on the Secondary file. The Tutri avenue line to \$2 on the Secondary file. The Tutri avenue line to \$2 on the Secondary file. The Tutri avenue line to \$2.50 the Secondary file. The Secondary file to the Seconda

blik Weavers on Strike.

Since July last the fifty weavers in the New-ark City Silk Mills have worked under a contract bind-ing them to receive only fifty per cent of their wages ing them to receive only fifty per cent of their wages when their work was unastrist course to the firm, or when they ceased work before finishing a job. The reason given for the latter provision in the contract was that men sometimes left work half finished because they thought it was unprofusion. On Wedesday evening the weavers formed a branch of the Order of United Sik Weavers, and resolved to oppose the contract system. They appointed a committee to conier with the Superinbrident on the subject. The interview was held vester day, and not being satisfactory to the men, they left the shop in a body.

The workmen in Simon Bros.' trunk factory n Newark have struck for higher wages. Journeymet in sewark have struck for higher wages. Journay her bakers in the same city have resolved to strike on May 2, unless their hours of work are reduced to twelve for six days in the week. Benjamin Sheplard's citar maker-demand as increases of wages, and threaten to quit work on Monday heat should it be refused them. The brewers of Newark demand more wages and less work, and will hold a meeting on Sunday best.

New Anti-Monopoly Organizations.

The Anti-Monopoly League held meetings last evening in the Eleventh and Fourteenth Assembly Districts to establish branches. The Eleventh District meeting was held in the rooms of the Municipal Seriety, in Madison avenue, and was presided over tw. Dr. Robert P. Gibvon. Remarks were made to Coll. Bush C. Basett P. Gibvon. Remarks were made to Coll. Bush C. Basett P. Gibvon. Remarks were made to Coll. Bush C. Basett P. Gibvon. Remarks were made to Coll. Bush C. Bush C. Basett P. The Fourteenth Organization was apposited. The Fourteenth Creation of the Commission for Seriety and P. Commission for Seriety and Coll. Bush C. Coll. Bush C. Coll. Bush C. Coll. Coll. Bush C. Basett P. Hariow, and John W. Needl. a Commission of Coll. Bush C. John F. Henry is President, Thomas Kinsella, Horace R. Ciafin, Estrant Peters, Lorin Palmer, Marin Duane, and other are Vice-Presidents, N. B. Killimer is Secretary, and George H. Fisher is Freasurer. The Anti-Monopoly League held meetings

Abandoned at Sea After a Hurricane. The Swedish ship Ida, from Trieste, and the

brig Kate of Prince Edward's Island, from Chentuegos, both for New York, were caught in the same hurricane on both for New York, Note condition to sake iteration on April 14. The Kate was so strained that alle syrang a bud leak. The 16s came through all right. There days later they met in latitude 30%, found that 72% off lateral The crow of the Kate had been 69 hours at the number, and were exhausted, and the brig had seven feet of water in her hold, and was sinking. Chapt Murch son autor to the offer of Capt. Bugge to take off his crow, and should once the brig. The 1da reached New York yesterday with the rescued crow.

LOSSES BY FIRE

Philip Gucke's brewery, near Philadelphis, was burned vesterday. Loss, \$50,000.
A fire at McGregor, lows, on Wednesday destroyed the Finnters il house and thosiness places. Loss, \$15,000.
Y. W. Panton's unit and how factors at Elem, III. were destroyed by an incendiary fire vesternay. Loss, \$10,000.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

The trial of Sarah E. Hare, President of the defauct Yoman's Hank, westernin in Beston yesterday. Henry Butler of Welverhampton, English, committed suicide yesterday morning, it Kingston, from disappoint-ed love.

suicale yesterday morning. A singular to detect the colored W. Avery, indicated for keeping a gambling place at Kingston where Noian sublemy deel but week, was yesterday fined \$200, and is to stand committed to jail till the fine is paid.

The report that the supointment as Soliciter of the Treasury has been tendered. Warrel M. Baterian of Concinnal, is authoritatively denied. The only iomidation for the report is the fact that ex-Secretary Sherman suggested his manue to the President.

Reineke clark to the County Clerk of Chicago, yesterday pleaded guilty to grand larveey of \$5,200, and of consumers. The sufferee will be from one to ten years in the penitentiary, and a fine not exceeding \$1,000.

The street railroad conductors and drivers of \$6. Louis Action to the terministeries of Chicago yester, the process of the five control of the

DASHES HERE AND THERE BY THE SUN'S REPORTERS.

National Guard Montversary-New York Regiments Celebrating the March to the Prout in '61-A March Down Broadway. The Twelfth Regiment, with eight companies of sixteen files, and the veterans, celebrated the Iwen-lieth anniversary of the departure of the regiment to the seat of war, by a joint parade vesterday. Gen. Danie. Butterfield, who led the regiment to the war in 1861, was in command of the veterana. On his staff were Gen. Fred. T. Locke, Col. H. A. Weeks, Major Bostwick, Capt. H. Carpenter, and Chaplain C. C. Savage; and Capts James A. Boyle, William Powier, John D. Ottiwell, E. H. Olmsted, J. M. Mandeville, George Stewart, and others commanded the plateons of the veterans, who mustered about 150 strong, and were black clothes, military badges, white gloves, and soft felt buts with military trimmings. The regiment and the veterans went from the armore at Broadway and Forty-fifth street by the elevated railroad to Rector street, formed on the Bowling Green, and then marched up Broadway. They were re-

Green, and then marched up Broadway. They were reviewed by the Mayor in front of the City Hall, and then
resumed the march up Broadway, cheers and applause
greeting the veterans all the way up. At the armory the
rectiment formed line and sainted the veterans as they
passed that the building.

The departure of the Eighth Resiment for Washington
on April 23, 1831, was celebrated by the active and
weteran members in Terrace Garden last evening. On
the piatform were Gen. Bergian and staff and the veteran efficers. They and the soldiers and their friends
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The Moriarty Conspiracy Trial.

Kate Moriarty, who, with her father Patrick and her mother Ellen, is under indictment for obtaining damages on false pretences from the New York Elevated Railroad Company, was recalled as a witness yesterday on her father's separate trial in the General Sessions. Her counsel desired to have her explain Dr. Knight's testimony for the prosecution that she was in the office of the Hospital for the Reputared and Crippled at about the time of the collision in which she says she was in jured. She testified that Dr. Knight had contained two visits—one on the day of the collision, whon she saw Dr. (blose), and not Dr. Knight, early in the morning, and enamore than a year later, in June, 1980, after her arrost. Dr. Hamilton was recalled, and testified that he had successed the release of the family on ball in the sammer. An arrost that he had successed the release of the family on ball in the sammer, and his wite Hilen, were made on an incident the proposed of the family of Her counsel desired to have her explain Dr. Knight's

Who is Responsible for the Pire!

Thomas Walsh, whose cotton waste stores are on the third floor of 6 Gold street, bought from the undewriters some of the cotton damaged by the fire at 8 Beaver street on Saturday and putitin his store. Fire smuddlers in cotton for weeks together, but these bules had been drenched so thoroughly that they were suf-

Five-Cent Farce All Day.

The trains on the Ninth and Second avenue elevated ratiroads have for the past few days been made up of four, instead of two or three cars, and have been run at shorter intervals, the extra cars and trains being run at shorter intervals, the extra cars and trains being drawn from the Third and Sixth avenue roads. After May I, the down-town terminas of the Third avenue line will be at South Ferral avenue in the will be at South Ferral offices of the Manhattan Italiway Company, it was stated yeaterday that in order to attract travel to the Ninth avenue and second systeme into such travel to the Ninth avenue and second systeme into a six hours of the day. On the faird and sixth avenue roads the commission hours will be extended, and five cents fare will be charged between 5 and 10 30 in the sporting, and between 3 and 8 P. M.

Prot. Sawyer's Defence.

In the trial, in the General Sessions yesterlay, of Prof. William E. Sawyer for shooting Dr. The-philus Steele, Charles Perrin, a waiter in the Rossmore Hotel, testified for the defence that shortly lib for the shooting he said to Prof. Sawyer, "Dr. Sneele sounds to be also tagging you." Prof. Sawyer resided, "You, and I am ready to meet lime." sg. you." Post masses, and the dealer, testined that terens, a boot and shee dealer, testined that terens, a boot and shee a tow unlastes below

Persistent Squatters.

Philip Coyle and Archibald Ward, squatters, Lexington avenues, were arrested at I o'clock resistant morning by Policeman Culins while the were excepting on this on sweet vectors are tree in Product Soulevard. The policeman's attention was called them by Thomas O'Keele, who had charred the erry. They were arranged being danger killing the Yorkulle Police Cont. but I Kane Tailed to aparatist them, and they were discharged.

Still Unreconciled.

The Board of Education adopted, yesterday the Finance Committee's report recommending that the premises at 65 Pearl street be purchased and dued or

His Cigar Shot from His Mouth, John Ray, a variety actor at Harry Hill's, was

arraigned yesterday in the deflurson Market Power Court, where James Kerly, a muculet, charged from with felumons assault. Kelly averred that at 4 A. M. Schle is was walking in Beccher street man. Matt. Lay proceed the test was Matt. Lay proceeded, lew areas well end to a street man. One of the hubets knowled and feed four should be a condition to the hubets knowled to the feed four should be frighten him. He was held in \$1.000 (an).

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The Signal Office Prediction. Partly cloudy weather and occasional rain variable winds, stationary barometer, stationary of higher temperature.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN. Six stramships landed 3.764 immigrants at Castle G.s.

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Forty applies not for places in the Post Office were examined yesterday.

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